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HYDROCARBONS FROM HYDRATES

**REPLY TO EX PARTE QUAYLE ACTION**

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Sir:

This is in reply to the Ex parte Quayle action of December 8, 2005.

Please consider the following Amendments to the Specification, Listing of the Claims, Revised Abstract, and Replacement Drawings: